GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEFENCE
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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1589
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HOLDING OF NDA ENTRANCE EXAMINATION IN HINDI
HARIBHAI PARTHIBHAI CHAUDHARY;RAM TAHAL CHOUDHARY

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the NDA entrance examinations are held only in English and not in any other Indian languages;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government would consider holding of this premier examination for armed forces at least in Hindi also; and

(d) if so, the time by which the decision is likely to be taken in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) The question papers for NDA entrance examination are of objective type (multiple choice) and at present these are printed only in English.

(b) All the recruitment examinations conducted by Union Public Service Commission except the Civil Service (Main) Examination, are held in English medium only.

(c) & (d): Yes, Sir, the issue of introduction of Hindi as a medium of NDA examination is at present under consideration of the Government.